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December 23, 2022

Via ECF Only

Judge Sharon A. King, U.S.M.J.
U.S. District Court, District of NJ - Camden
401 Market Street
Camden, NJ 08101

Re: Skelton, Raymond v. Hicks, et al.
Docket No.: 19-cv-18597 (RMB-SAK)

Dear Judge King:

Our office represents the Defendant, Marcus Hicks, in the above referenced matter. Our office previously entered an appearance for Marcus Hicks (See ECF No. 8) when the original complaint was filed on October 2, 2019 (See ECF No. 1). On December 15, 2022, Plaintiff's counsel filed an amended complaint adding 17 (seventeen) new defendants in this matter. See ECF No. 44. We write this letter to respectfully request an extension for Defendant Marcus Hicks to respond to the newly amended complaint, until the first response to the newly amended complaint by any of the newly named defendants will be due.

On December 21, 2022, Plaintiff's counsel emailed our office waivers of service for all of the newly named defendants, and for our office to respond within thirty (30) days. Our office will first have to confirm with each newly named defendant whether they will waive service, and if any do not we will advise Plaintiff so that those defendants may be served pursuant to the Federal Court Rules. Therefore, the Marcus Hicks respectfully request an extension to respond to the amended complaint until the first response will be due. Plaintiff's counsel consents to this request, as the parties wish to streamline this process in an effort not to duplicate efforts and also in an effort not to waste the Court's time. Thank you for your time and consideration.



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Respectfully Submitted,

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cc: via ECF (all counsel of record)

SO ORDERED this 27th day of December, 2022

by Sharon A. King
SHARON A. KING
United States Magistrate Judge